



Give thanks to the LORD,
for he is good

- Psalm 107:1 NIV

THANK YOU, LORD!



St. Mary's Parish



Our Mission:

"To know Christ and to make Him known."

Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday
9:00 AM

Saturday Vigils
5:00 PM
7:30 PM

Sunday
7:30 AM
9:30 AM Family Mass
(C.L.O.W. Sept. - May)
11:30 AM Sung Mass

Holy Days: Announced

Adoration Schedule:

First Fridays from
9:30-10:30 AM

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Dear Visitors: Welcome! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us this day. Please introduce yourself to the priest, and if you are interested in becoming a member of the parish then please call the rectory to register. Please also be aware that for generations it has been the custom at St. Mary's to kneel together for a silent Hail Mary at the end of Mass.

Please join in!

Reconciliation: Saturdays from Noon - 12:45 PM in the church or anytime by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: Any time by appointment. Please call as soon as you are aware of a serious illness or upcoming surgery.

Baptism: The 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month. To register for Baptism Preparation call 429-4427.

Marriage: Please call at least 6 months in advance of your desired wedding date.



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS: Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM Thursday, November 22. Please bring an item of food that will be part of your Thanksgiving meal to be blessed, and then take it home with you for your family table. A collection will be taken at Mass and donated to the Holliston Food Pantry. Mass will be followed by coffee and doughnuts in Fr. Haley Hall.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS: *“In all created things discern the providence and wisdom of God, and in all things give Him thanks.”* - St. Teresa of Avila

FROM THE PASTOR: As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving this week, I thank God for you – the good people of St. Mary’s. Your prayers, your kindness and your unwavering support mean more now than ever in these trying days for our beloved Church. You remind me every day of all that is good and pure and beautiful in the Catholic faith. May God bless you with a Thanksgiving that strengthens the bonds of unity and love in your families. And May God bless you richly for all you do for the St. Mary’s Family of Faith.



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE: Through the month of November, traditionally referred to as the “Month of the Holy Souls” the Book of Remembrance will be in front of the Baptismal Font and Easter Candle in the church. You are invited to write the names of your own departed loved ones in the book. Their intentions will then be included in all the Masses celebrated at St. Mary’s during November. May God welcome them into the light and perfect peace of His presence.

EPIC HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP ~ TONIGHT: Join EPIC, St. Mary’s High School Youth Ministry tonight, November 18 from 7:30 – 8:45 PM in Father Haley Hall for our November meeting! Come for a great time of faith, friends, fun, games, and ice cream. We will also have sign-ups for our December 8 (Feast of the Immaculate Conception) afternoon Christmas Party with Caroling at the Doolittle Nursing Home in Foxboro (check your email for info and forms for that trip) Bring \$5 dues to the meeting to help pay for snacks and offset the cost of future trips. Open to all high schoolers! Contact our youth minister Jake Thiringer at stmarysym1870@gmail.com if you have any questions.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP MEETING: Our BINGO trip is scheduled for Monday, November 26, departing at 5:30 PM sharp and returning around 9:00 PM (eat an early supper at home before coming). Our next Meeting is Sunday, December 2 from 6:30 – 8 PM in the Parish Center. There will be faith, friendship, fun and signups for the December 14 Caroling, Pizza Party, Christmas Lights Trip, as well as for our Snow Tubing trip to Nashoba in January. Celtics payments are also due on December 2. Any and all 6th, 7th and 8th Graders are invited. Bring a friend!

MUSIC	5:00 PM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
Entrance	#553	#31	#31
Offertory	#434	#570	-
Communion	#333	#596	#570
Recessional	#576	#726	#720



THE ROSE FOR LIFE: Is sponsored this week by Mary Nolan. Please join her in prayer for an unborn child.

NEWSLETTER COLLATING: Please join us on Monday, November 26 from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM in Father Haley Hall to assist in our collating of the December Newsletter. Enjoy visiting with your fellow parishioners while we put together this beautiful instrument of outreach. Welcome!

HOLLISTON HOLIDAY STROLL: Next Saturday, November 24 from 11 AM to 6 PM. A sneak preview has it that there will be an amazing Puppet show by Sparky’s Puppets at 1:00 PM at St. Mary’s in Fr. Haley Hall, featuring stories from Snowy Land. Also, live music throughout the stroll, Cookie decorating, photos with Santa at the Henry Studio and much more! A full list of activities and times can be found on hollistonbusinessassociation.com. This is a wonderful event to visit our local establishments and enjoy some Holiday Cheer!

2018 ST. MARY'S PARISH GRAND ANNUAL UPDATE

"What return can I make to the Lord for all He has done for me?" Psalm 116

2018 Grand Annual goal to cover operating expenses:	\$150,000.00
Grand Annual parishioner support received to date:	- \$ <u>60,761.00</u>
Parishioner support still needed to reach 2018 Grand Annual goal:	\$ 89,239.00
% of 2018 Grand Annual achieved to date:	40 %
% of St. Mary's families who have now made their Grand Annual gift:	26 %



As the Grand Annual continues, contributions may be placed either in the orange G.A. envelope you received in the mail, or in one of the extra G.A. envelopes available at the church entrances. G.A. envelopes may be placed in any Mass collection basket or mailed or dropped off at the rectory.

As explained in the November mailing to all parishioners, the \$150,000 goal will be applied to cover a number of parish operating expenses, including but not limited to: Interior Church Floor Replacement, Installation of New Pew Kneelers, Rectory Repairs, New Air-conditioning / Heating System for the Parish Library, Designated Improvements for our handicapped members to include exterior Church Lighting, and Salaries for St. Mary's dedicated and hardworking staff.

Your generous support will assure the financial health of our parish continues.

Thank you for your support of this most important annual collection!

PARISH STAFF:

- Rev. Mark J. Coiro, Pastor
- Rev. Jim Flynn, Weekend Assistance
- The Xaverian Fathers, Weekend Assistance
- Deacon John D. Barry, Permanent Deacon
- Deacon Martin Breinlinger, Senior Deacon
- Mr. Steven Booth, Seminarian
- Mrs. Fran Crespi, D.R.E., Grades K-7
- Mr. Jake Thiringer, D.R.E., Grades 8-12
- Mr. Kevin Lyczak, Parish Music Director
- Mr. Leo Racine, Director of Contemporary Music
- Mrs. Mary Beth Harris, Parish Secretary
- Mrs. Paula O'Brien, Religious Education Secretary
- Mrs. Mary Sanning, Business Manager
- Mrs. Najat Whalen, Sacristan
- Mr. Billy Hanson, Parish Facilities
- R & R Landscaping, Cemetery Care

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: For Retired Women Religious (nuns). Please give generously in recognition of the important role religious sisters have had in the Archdiocese of Boston.

LAST SUNDAY'S PARISH OFFERTORY:

Mass Collections:	\$ 11,499.00
Automatic Giving:	\$ 1,563.00
Total Offertory:	\$ 13,062.00

Thank you for your faithful stewardship.

PRAYERS AND MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday		November 17
	9:00	Pauline Pascucci, 28 th Anv.
	5:00	Frank Simonetti, 14 th Anv.
	7:30	Thomas Eagan
Sunday		November 18
	7:30	People of St. Mary's
	9:30	John McHugh
	11:30	Pat McDonald
Monday		November 19
	9:00	Vincent Scaduto, 32 nd Anv.
Tuesday		November 20
	9:00	Walter "D" Robbins
Wednesday		November 21
	9:00	Genevieve Calapa
Thursday		November 22
	9:00	Thanksgiving Mass
Friday		November 23
	9:00	Vilma, Nenzi and Raffaele DiForte
Saturday		November 24
	9:00	No Mass
	5:00	Thomas Fleming, 22 nd Anv.
	7:30	People of St. Mary's
Sunday		November 25
	7:30	Peter Ramuno
	9:30	Walter J. Ciampa, Sr.
	11:30	Dr. James Boyd

"Pray, Hope, and Don't Worry." - St. Pio of Pietrelcino

CLOW- CHILDREN K-6: Today, Sunday, Nov. 18, the children will be dismissed from the main assembly and led to the Lower Church Hall to hear what Jesus has to tell them in the Gospel. **Please note:** Younger children are welcome **but must be accompanied by their parents** and be able to sit and engage in the lesson. Older children are welcome to assist the adult leaders.

Help!! The Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) needs two more adults to help teach the children the meaning of the living Gospel message of Jesus. Our CLOW Coordinator, Pat Campo-LeBlanc, will train and assist you. Prayerfully consider being part of the CLOW team. Contact Pat at: olordyimforty@aol.com.

WEEK'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

DAY	GRADE	GRADE
Sun., Nov. 18	GR-K at 9:15 AM	GR-2 at 8:10 AM
	GR-2 at 10:45 AM	GR-3 at 7:55 AM
	GR-3 at 10:45 AM	GR-6 at 12:45 PM
	GR-6 at 5:00 PM	GR-7 at 5:30 PM
Mon., Nov. 19	GR-3 at 3:00 PM	GR-5 at 3:00 PM
	GR-6 at 2:30 PM Mrs. Butler	GR-6 at 4:00 PM
Tues., Nov. 20	GR-4 at 4:00 PM	GR-6 at 4:30 PM
Wed., Nov. 21	NO CLASSES	
Thur., Nov. 22	NO CLASSES	Thanksgiving
Sun., Nov. 25	NO CLASSES	



The children of St. Mary's are counting on YOU!
Contact: us at 429-6076 or by St.marysre1870@gmail.com

MONITORS ARE NEEDED: Be a vital presence for the safety of our children and youth and volunteer to help.

- Sundays: 12:45 to 2:00 PM & 5 – 6 PM weekly.
- Sundays: 5:30 to 7:30 PM – Alternate weeks.
- Mondays from 3 – 4:30 PM – Alternate weeks.
- Mondays from 5 – 6:30 PM – Alternate weeks.

CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS NATIVITY:

Preparations are now underway for the Children's Nativity which will be held at the **4:00 PM Christmas Eve Vigil Mass**. For inquiries or information please contact Debra Frey: specialinnkeeper1224@gmail.com.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS: Tuesday, November 20 in the Library at 7:45 PM.

GRADE 9 - CONFIRMATION I: Grade 9 meets on Tuesday, November 27 and Thursday, November 29 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM in Fr. Haley Hall.

PROTECTING GODS CHILDREN (PGC)

WORKSHOP: New volunteers 18 years of age and older serving in any capacity must complete a **2018-2019 CORI**, have a signed **Code of Conduct** and complete a **PGC Workshop**. Please check the RCAB website for PGC Workshops scheduled in nearby parishes.

FALL ADULT FORMATION PROGRAM: Bishop Robert Barron's "The Mass" will continue on Tuesday, November 27 from 10AM-Noon in Room 3 – 4. All are welcome. No session on Nov. 20 due to Thanksgiving.

NORFOLK PRISON MINISTRY: Don't forget to bring in your bars of soap donations. Please no liquid soap, lotions or travel soap. Donations will be collected the first week of December. *Thank you for your help!*

HOLLISTON NEWCOMERS ANNUAL THANKSGIVING BASKETS:

Thank you to all the children, youth and families of St. Mary's who donated so generously the nonperishable food items needed to help the 170 families in need of a Thanksgiving dinner. Many churches and organizations in the surrounding area also donated necessary food items for this cause. You have made many families very happy this Thanksgiving. <http://www.hollistonnewcomers.org/thanksgiving-baskets>

GRADE 2 FIRST PENANCE: On Friday, November 30 at 4:15 and 6:30 PM; and Saturday, December 1 at 10:30 AM, the Grade 2 children will have their First Penance. We must have a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate on file before First Penance if your child was not baptized at St. Mary's Parish. If you were unable to attend one of the three parent meetings in September and sign your child up for their First Penance please see Fran Crespi.

GRADE 2 PARENT MEETINGS: Sunday, November 18 at 8:15 and 10:45 AM in Fr. Haley Hall while children are in their classes. Another meeting will be available on Monday, November 19 at 7:00 PM in Fr. Haley Hall. This is a very important meeting on the Sacrament of Confession. Coffee, tea and refreshments will be served at the Sunday morning meetings.

WISHING ALL A BLESSED THANKSGIVING:

Our R.E. Staff is thankful for our Grade Coordinators, Teachers, Monitors and families who give so generously of their time every week to guide the children and youth to know Jesus Christ and the Gospel. We wish all of you a blessed Thanksgiving with your families.